



Ned Show - Yesterday our students were entertained to a Ned Show performance, with the focus on 3 personal values:

- Never give up
- Encourage others
- Do your best

There were lots of smiles and laughter, and the feedback from students was that they learnt heaps and had a fun. The yoyos, which is how they shared their message, are arriving tomorrow, (fingers crossed), as there was a glitch in the delivery.

Financial Literacy - We have had the ASB Getwise team working in our school teaching our tamariki how to be clever with cash. They have been learning about good money habits - from identifying needs and wants, and learning to save, right through to budgeting. If you wish to continue supporting your child, you can access some useful resources available online. asb.co.nz/banking-with-ash/financial-literacy-get-wise.html

Sickness - The winter bugs have hit us with vengeance, with many classes reduce in numbers by half over the past couple of weeks. Our staff have not been spared either, and with the shortage of relievers, we have had to spread rooms across teams to ensure students continue with their learning. We are endeavouring to keep things as normal as possible for our tamariki.

School Focus on Manners - Wow! What an impact this has had! We have noticed a huge improvement in the good manners displayed by our tamariki. Doors are being held open for adults, good mornings have been initiated by students, and please or thank yous are being used appropriately. Mahi nui Waitakere! (great work)

Walking School Bus - We have been made aware that it is sometimes difficult to access the school using the path by the swimming pool when the Walking School Bus is lining up there. Unfortunately, with up to 180 students using the bus on some day, we do not have an alternative arrangement. Try to come before they are called across at 2:55pm, or after they leave (right on 3:00pm), or use one of the other entry points. If you do encounter the bus, hopefully they will demonstrate the wonderful manners we are seeing and move aside to allow you to pass. Ngā mihi for your understanding.

If you need financial assistance from Variety Club for class trips, camp fees, sports fees or children's clothing and shoes please contact Genna Richardson grichardson@waitakereprimary.school.nz who will be able to help you with your application for assistance.

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We are changing when we do our calendar art fundraiser this year to Term 3. Classes are already busy creating pieces of art for this fundraiser. When the art is finished it will be sent to the Kids Artworks Company for processing. When processing is completed, families will receive information with instructions on how to order online using a personalised code. We anticipate that ordering will be completed before the end of term and families will receive their orders either at the end of term 3 or the beginning of term 4.

NEW ENTRANT MORNING

Waitakere Primary will hold a New Entrant Information meeting each term for parents who have children starting school the following term.

The dates for 2023 are as follows:

Tuesday 15 August, 9.30 am

Tuesday 14 November, 9.30 am

This is a great opportunity to meet other new parents, some of the staff, including our Principal Heather Atkinson, and learn about Waitakere Primary School.

We will start our morning with a guided tour of the school led by our Year 8 student leaders. We will return to the staffroom where you will be given a brief overview of school life and some ways that will help you prepare your child for school. Enrolment packs will be handed out to all those who have not received one yet.

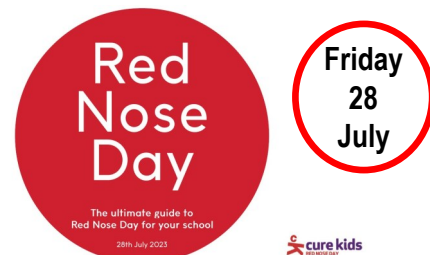
Please let the office know if you will be attending.

While parents are attending the information morning, the children who will be starting are invited to spend time between 9.30-11:00 am in a N.E. room. Your child will need to bring a bottle of water and a snack (cut up fruit or veggies in a small container) to have at Brain Food time.

Alex Jelas Associate Principal

- 2 Aug - PTA Meeting 7pm in Staffroom
- 8 Aug - Yr 6 Student taster day in Year 7/8 classes 9-11am
- 8 Aug - Yr 6 Parent Evening 6-6.45pm in staffroom
- 10 Aug - Junior Assembly 2.15pm
- 15 Aug - New Entrants Parents Meeting 9.30am
- 17 Aug - Cross Country Zone day
- 17 Aug - Full School Assembly 2pm
- 24 Aug - Senior School AMPT Day
- 7 Sept - Senior Assembly 1.30pm - Junior Assembly 2.15pm
- 21 Sept - Full School Assembly 2pm
- 22 Sept - Term 3 ends**

- 9 Oct - Term 4 starts**
- 13 Nov - Teacher only day Curriculum Refresh**



Red Nose Day
The ultimate guide to Red Nose Day for your school
28th July 2023
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Term Dates for 2023
Term 3 17 July - 22 September
Term 4 9 October - 15 December

Public Holidays
23 October Labour Day

Teacher only day
13 Nov - Curriculum Refresh

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